

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-00882-RDM**

DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Assigned to: Judge Randolph D. Moss  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 03/28/2019

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
03/28/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-6028033) filed by DEMOCRACY

		FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit FOIA request, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons, # <u>5</u> Summons)(Grogg, Adam) (Entered: 03/28/2019)
03/28/2019	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Grogg, Adam) (Entered: 03/28/2019)
03/29/2019		Case Assigned to Judge Randolph D. Moss. (zef, ) (Entered: 03/29/2019)
03/29/2019	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zef, ) (Entered: 03/29/2019)
04/08/2019	<u>4</u>	STANDING ORDER: The parties are hereby ORDERED to comply with the directives set forth in the attached Standing Order. See document for details. Signed by Judge Randolph D. Moss on 4/8/2019. (lcrdm1, ) (Entered: 04/08/2019)
04/15/2019	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES served on 4/12/2019, RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 4/8/2019. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 5/8/2019.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 04/08/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration)(Grogg, Adam) (Entered: 04/15/2019)
04/16/2019		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>5</u> Summons Returned Executed as to Federal Defendant; emailed to agrogg@democracyforward.org, cc'd 1 associated attorneys — The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. The receipts need to be electronically filed in this case. In the future, file them with the return of service entry. (ztd, ) (Entered: 04/16/2019)
05/08/2019	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Christopher Charles Hair on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 05/08/2019)
05/08/2019	<u>7</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.(Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 05/08/2019)
06/17/2019	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Grogg, Adam) (Entered: 06/17/2019)
06/20/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report, Dkt. <u>8</u> , it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before July 17, 2019. Signed by Judge Randolph D. Moss on 6/20/2019. (lcrdm1, ) (Entered: 06/20/2019)
06/20/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 7/17/2019. (kt) (Entered: 06/20/2019)
07/17/2019	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 07/17/2019)
07/17/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report, Dkt. <u>9</u> , it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before September 16, 2019. Signed by Judge Randolph D. Moss on 7/17/2019. (lcrdm1, ) (Entered: 07/17/2019)
07/18/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 9/16/2019. (kt) (Entered: 07/18/2019)
08/08/2019	<u>10</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Javier M. Guzman on behalf of DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION Substituting for attorney Adam Grogg (Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 08/08/2019)
09/16/2019	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 09/16/2019)

09/17/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report, Dkt. <u>11</u> , it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before October 15, 2019. Signed by Judge Randolph D. Moss on 9/17/2019. (lcrdm1, ) (Entered: 09/17/2019)
09/17/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/15/2019. (kt) (Entered: 09/17/2019)
10/15/2019	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 10/15/2019)
10/16/2019	<u>13</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kristen Paige Miller on behalf of DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Miller, Kristen) (Entered: 10/16/2019)
10/17/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report, Dkt. <u>12</u> , it is hereby ORDERED that: (1) the agency shall make its initial production on or before November 22, 2019, for which it shall process at least 500 potentially responsive pages, and (2) the agency shall thereafter make rolling productions occurring once every two months, for which the agency will process at least 1,000 potentially responsive pages. It is further ORDERED that the parties shall file a further joint status report on or before December 16, 2020. Signed by Judge Randolph D. Moss on 10/17/19. (lcrdm1) (Entered: 10/17/2019)
10/17/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/16/2020. (dot) (Entered: 10/18/2019)
11/25/2019	<u>14</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. Attorney Javier M. Guzman terminated. (Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 11/25/2019)